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THE GREAT TOY SHUCK

by Karen Kearns

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NEW YORK (LNS) -- Every year I remember with a pang the terrible Christmases when I didn't get my chemistry set. My Catholic grammar school never got into any science heavier than the efficiency of a six-day Creation, but my big brother in high school spoke mysteriously of labs and experiments and I was obsessed with a passion to learn.

For two years in a row I desperately wanted that chemistry set and for months before each Christmas I dropped huge hints to my parents and every aunt and uncle in the area. Both years I was bitterly disappointed.

Sometime during the next year I discovered that girls aren't any good at math or science anyway, forgot about the chemistry set and begged for a Harriet Hubbard Make-up Doll. Of course I got it, and lavished love and lipstick on that doll with all my childish energy. To this day I don't know what makes litmus paper turn colors, but I can apply eyeliner with the best of them.

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"TOY -- Plaything esp. for child; thing meant rather for amusement than for serious use."

Don't believe everything you read in the dictionary. In a male supremacist society, toys are, like abortion laws, deadly-earnest instruments of women's oppression. Walk into any toy store and except for a small demilitarized zone of uni-sex games, the materiel of masculine/feminine role education is glaringly apparent everywhere. MIGHTY MIKE Astro Trains and SUZY HOMEMAKER Vacuum Cleaners fill the diametrically opposing counters -- no Mighty Mary, no Harry Homemaker.

Everyone in the toy industry is very frank and unapologetic about it. The toy-men now blush and beat their breasts over war toys and foreswear Vietnam atrocity items for boys, but so deeply ingrained in their minds is the Suzy Shitworker role that they are not the least embarrassed to foist pots and pans, mops and brooms on little girls.

David Kreisman, editor of Toy and Hobby World,

lists "dolls, household cleaning things, makeup sets and food product sets" as the most popular "toys" for girls from ages 6-13. Tome Murn, editor of Plaything Magazine mentions the same items and adds battery-operated baking ovens, ironing boards and irons to the wonderlist of fun.

Remembering my infatuation with chemistry and a once-coveted Erector Set that belonged to my brother, I asked Murn if dolls and housework toys really predominate. "Oh yes, definitely!" he assured me. "These are the ones you see promoted on TV, because they have the highest percentage of sales for little girls' toys." Santa at Macy's bore them out -- "It's dolls."

Macy's has some outasight toys -- in the boys' section. They don't call it the boys' section, but what doting, chauvinized Mom or Dad is going to buy a Spacecraft Ranger or a Captain Lazar for little Sally?

Johnny Toymaker is a kit that teaches little Johnnies how to make "motorized toys that really work." The ZEROID COMMANDER ACTION SET invites budding boy astronauts to learn about the "Solar Cycle, Sonic Alarm and Sensor Station." The DYNA-MO DAREDEVIL Racing Set is sheer boy fun, not for scaredy-cat girls. All the building toys -- tool kits, model airplanes, boats and cars -- are in the boys' section. Boys get some bum toys too, like the huge U.S. Army General Headquarters that's got every freak but Mendel Rivers in it, but these toys err on the side of aggression, not mind-binding passivity.

F.A.O. Schwartz, the rich kids' store, has a costume department on the second floor. The boys can cloak themselves in the identities of Superman and Batman (the most popular), a Navy Admiral, a Railroad Man, a Knight in Armor or a NASA Flight Commander. The little girls can dress up as a Rag Doll, a Peasant Girl, a Dutch Girl, a Spanish Girl, a Fairy Princess, a Queen, a Ballerina or a Butterfly. The salesgirl told me, "The girls show no preference for roles --- they or their mothers just pick the prettiest." (I saw one mother drag her four-year-old daughter away from the Batman outfit and the groovy monster masks, and say, "I think this ballerina outfit would be best, Clare.")

How can little girls "choose" a role where no

choice is available? The costumes all resemble those worn by the gorgeously gowned, bewigged and bejewelled \$40 dolls upstairs. Both serve the little rich girl as reminders of her goal in life -- to become a great big beautiful doll herself.

I still thought that maybe being a Queen or a Princess wouldn't be too bad, until I found out just what lady royalty is doing nowadays -- shitwork, that's what, if the Play Queen Iron and the Princess Wash-n-Dryer are any indication.

Little girls like to emulate mother and if mother happens to be a poet, a musician or a doctor that's too bad -- the only thing society and the toymakers know or care about her is: 1. she's desirable to men, 2. she takes care of the children, and 3. she does all the housework. That's why she's important, because it's very important to have people around for men to screw who are willing to do all that awful work, and do it for free. Male supremacist society will need more of them next generation, so these three aspects of Mom's career are the ones littler girls must imitate.

Numbers 1 and 2 account for the vast array of Baby Dolls and Barbie Dolls in every store.

Baby Dolls are the kind that teach little girls to like babies and to want to take care of them. They aren't very exciting (the most advanced, Baby Bouncy, nods her head, waves her arms and kicks her feet.) Mostly you just change them and feed them. Softina, a dolly made of "soft-as-a-baby Satinfoam miracle vinyl," has a little tag which reads, "I'm baby soft and I drink and wet." Big deal.

This year's crop of Baby Dolls includes Tip-pee Toes, Busybaby, Baby Fussy, Bootsie, Ruthie, Tynee, Softee, Baby Care (who comes with a complete nursery kit with real Johnson's baby powder) and Baby Buttercup.

The Barbie model-type dolls teach little girls how important it is to spend a lot of time and money on clothes and makeup so they'll look good to men. Barbie and her ever-expanding circle of friends -- Francie (Barbie's MODern cousin), Casey, Francie's Fun Friend, Stacey, Twiggy and Maddie

Mod all give a skinny 10-year-old girl an ideal to work towards -- they are tall and svelte, with fabulous legs and have "real eyelashes, rooted hair, and a fully posable, turnable body." The child learns early to want, and to beg, cry and scheme to get the countless outfits that are available to put on Barbie's back. It's an expensive habit -- the tiny costumes run about \$3.25 apiece.

The number one bestselling doll in America, Ideal's Beautiful Crissy Doll, is a little difficult to classify. She has sort of a knob in her stomach that can roll her floor-length hair all the way up to a pageboy.

The household apprenticeship "toys" are little replicas of all the things that bore Mom to death day in and day out for her whole life. The little girl can practice her oppression on "cute" little stoves, refrigerators, kitchen sinks, irons, blenders, mixmasters -- everything but a miniature ball and chain. Woman as consumer is prodded early into a familiarity with brand names -- Mirro Aluminum puts out a whole line of miniature pots and pans "like Mother's." The Little Queen Bissel Sweeper Set is a scaled-down version of Mom's "real" Bissel carpet sweeper, broom, mop and dustpan. For the creative girl you can buy the "Imagination Doll House," which has interchangeable furniture for each room. To further stimulate creativity, if only in cooking, little girls are given adorable little cake and cookie mixes which look and taste horrible, "just like Mom's,"

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'Tis the season to be jolly -- so if you're a woman, stay away from the "toy" stores.

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WALTER TEAGUE FOUND GUILTY FOR FIRST TIME IN NYC

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Walter Teague, New York movement veteran, was convicted Dec. 10 on four misdemeanor charges.

Teague has been arrested many times at demonstrations, but 12 acquittals preceded this first conviction.

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THE ENEMY IN THOUGHT AND ACTION
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NEW YORK (LNS)-- "The safe seats are to the back, if you've got a bomb, move to the right!"

The usher half-smiled. On the one hand he knows that Hayakawa's talk at Columbia that evening is just going to be a laugh and a bore. On the other hand there are a couple of batallions of cops nervously fingering nightsticks outside. There are even a few dozen nervously fingering nightsticks right behind the stage. You can see their feet moving back and forth, pacing behind the curtain to the rear of the stage where the famous Semanticist is going to talk about the "Problems of Higher Education."

He arrives half an hour late, walks in with a sickly grin.

"I asked a dean over dinner, 'What are they going to throw?' "

The Famous Stand-Up Comedian slides into his act, probably thinking that a well-aimed molotov cocktail shattering at his feet would be more fun than a roller-coaster, or at least more fun than having to talk about the real problems of our times. He never does talk about them.

Introduction: "Dr. Hayakawa's field is Semantics..." The People laugh and Dr. H. grins, and opens his mouth. He says something, and the audience applauds. And applauds 30 seconds. A minute. Two minutes. And more.

But the tumultuous applause was no friendly greeting.

Finally the Doctor gets in a word.

"Good evening, friends of academic freedom. As you know, Columbia is a very famous place..."

"Not any more it's not!"

Hayakawa then acknowledges the chairman by name. Twice. The chairman squirms in his seat, smiles and turns red.

"The biggest problem we all have today is understanding a world that is daily distorted by the mass media," he explains.

"Right on!"

"I want to congratulate the Columbia students who haven't taken a building yet--for resisting the media image. We have the same problem at SF State

Why, some guys and coeds--cheerleaders, players, that kind of thing--once went to a basketball conference in Indiana. No one would believe they were from SF State. 'You don't look like SF State students,' they'd say..."

"They're not bloody!"

The audience boos angrily at Hayakawa. They already know that Fightin' Sam Hayakawa is not going to say a word about SF State.

"You are victims of media!" he ejaculates, not sure of what he means.

Then, "There's a little school up in the northwest, the University of Puget Sound. It's not a distinguished place, but there's not the lack of intellect I see here..."

Ho hum, so it's going to be two-bit insults

But then a sudden turn.... "This generation, like those before is dedicated to the betterment of the world."

Shit, it's platitudes. Duller than insults

"Now this generation is being coached by middle-age adolescents in the faculty and encouraged to become revolutionaries...."

A whistle of amazement, hundreds of fists in the audience of 1300, and a lot of "Right on!"

"Let me remind you," he whines, "that that quote comes from a Kneegrow spiritual and has a religious basis, it comes from 'Right on Jesus!'"

"Right on, Jesus!"

"What's a 'Negro', Hayakawa?"

The Real Stuff then follows. The FIVE MAIN GOALS OF EDUCATION. He repeats the phrase. And then, from the audience, a strong voice:

"REPRESSION, REPRESSION, REPRESSION, REPRESSION, REPRESSION!!!"

And the audience goes wild.

Finally they let him talk about the "five main goals of education." "Now, listen to this," as Hayakawa would say:

1 To learn to understand, appreciate and take care of the natural world.

"VIETNAM, VIETNAM!"

To protect little animals

"WHAT ABOUT NAPALM!"

says.

"The goal," Dr. Samuel Hayakawa/ "is that small children, by the time they are three and four years

old, do not litter."

That's what he said!

Everyone in the audience (save twenty-five jocks in one corner) shouted out something in protest.

"Would you guys shut up? I can outlast any of you bastards anytime!"

And then he gives a fist sign, for no reason at all.

"We must make proper use of the land..."

"PEOPLE'S PARK!! PEOPLE'S PARK!!"

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2. To understand the various races and kinds of people. Hayakawa slurs over this point and most reporters have to consult several people sitting near them to figure out what he is saying.

3. "The ideal is the lonely contemplation of something orderly..."

Jesus Christ! Can you picture Hayakawa sitting on a mountain top dreaming of neat rows of cops holding their clubs at right angles?

4. To earn a living...."so that someone other than the Welfare Department is willing to keep people alive. Those who have never had a job don't know how to relate to the world. One problem is overprotective child labor laws."

"BRING BACK SLAVERY!" "OH, FUCK!!"

A middle-aged man sitting in the VIP row turns around, explaining that he is a great friend of the Speaker, his college roommate. "Those lilliputians," he snarls, twisting up his nose.

"I can talk longer than any of you guys!" retorts H.

"But there's only one of you!" someone shouts and it sounds like a threat.

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If Hayakawa were a little less a bore, and if he didn't come equipped with the New York Police Department Red Squad sitting in the auditorium wings, and the battalions outside, the threats might have turned into something else.

As it happens, Sam Hayakawa got more police protection than Dick Nixon did when he came to NY for his Football Award. The cops beat the living shit out of dozens of people that time. This time hundreds of people held a rally and marched

around the campus to say "Fuck you" to the Imperialist Semantist, but they decided he just wasn't worth getting smashed for

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"The Fifth Goal is an Intellectual Method." Too many cults these days. Cults of occultism, cults of intellectualism. ."

"HEAVENS TO BETSY...!"

Cults of Depravity, and "Cults of violence devoid of any political content!"

"FUCK YOU! REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALISM!!"

Two guys walk up to him, give Nazi salutes, Sieg Heils and sit down.

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"I'd like to make a serious proposal, based on a curious biological fact--every ten years, the average age of the onset of menstruation has decreased four months," explains Dr. Hayakawa. "So in 1910 a girl began menstruating at 16, and now in 1970, she begins at 14.

"Well, that implies that the age of sexual maturity is steadily going down--while social maturity is clearly taking longer and longer. Why, in 1910 a boy could just quit school and go to work....

"Today those kids could be so much more economically valuable if they would only work...or join the army.

"The army tends to turn you into an adult," Hayakawa explains.

"SONG MY!"

"So my proposal is a rehabilitation program for Vietnam. A work brigade for everyone between the ages of 14 and 20." The Doctor even suggests that for every 5000 US soldiers who leave Vietnam, 5000 work-brigaders replace them. But Hayakawa doesn't remind us that it was "civilian advisors" who were fighting the Vietnamese for years before the war really escalated.

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"I want to bring this to a close by reading a poem by D H. Lawrence."

"OH GOD, DON'T DRAG HIM INTO THIS!"

"A poem entitled 'On Thought'"

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And finally some thoughtful questions.

"Dr. Hayakawa, do you think the people of Viet-

An empty smile.

Smile, then some rambling about disruption, firebombs, goon squads.

"That was a speech, not a question. It had to be done, and I'd do it again."

A long silence.

"Now wait a minute, Doctor, I'm asking you a question. You said we were 'sentimental toward the downtrodden.' I'm asking you about violence. First we served in the US Peace Corps. And then we were killed in Mississippi. Now we're being killed in Vietnam. Say something for once. Which kind of violence is worse? Which are you for? The violence of the oppressor, or the violence of the oppressed?"

Hayakawa smiles, puts on his famous colorful tam o'shanter, and walks off the stage.

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WALTER TEAGUE FOUND GUILTY FOR FIRST TIME

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Teague has long been known as a movement "heavy." As chairman of the U.S. Committee to Aid the National Liberation Front, set up in April 1965, he was among the first movement people to carry the NLF flag in demonstrations (to the consternation of right-wingers, liberals and even some radicals).

In the past, sloppy presentation by the cops

The charges stemmed from last year's disruptions of speeches by Saigon Ambassador Nguyen Huu Chi and New York Times editor James Reston at New York University. The disruption, organized by SDS, involved scores of students.

Teague did not take part in the organizing of the NYU actions. He was on the scene, but was not arrested there; he was picked up hours later after being fingered by the right-wing organizer of the meeting, Vasilio Sotirovich, head of the NYU Political Forum. Teague was the only person arrested in connection with the disruptions.

Teague is well-known to New York City's Red Squad. The assistant district attorney who prosecuted Teague enlisted the aid of the Red Squad, and read from a long list of demonstrations and rallies which Teague attended. These past activities, none of them illegal, were brought out to help the three-judge panel reach its unanimous guilty verdict.

The four charges on which Teague was found guilty were riot, unlawful assembly, criminal trespass and disorderly conduct. The judges issued a verdict of "not guilty" to a fifth charge of criminal mischief.

Sentencing was set for Feb. 3. Teague may get a year in jail plus fines. An appeal is planned.

Teague told Liberation News Service that his conviction was in part due to the unwillingness of many of the demonstrators to come forward as witnesses for fear of "losing their jobs" or of risking prosecution themselves. Teague is still seeking witnesses who can testify on his behalf in another case, stemming from his presence on the Columbia University campus during the bust on April 30, 1968. Anyone who may remember Walter at Columbia should call the NECLC, 212-683-8130.

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VIETNAM PRIMER PUBLISHED IN CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO (LNS) -- A primer on Vietnam, entitled "Vietnam: A Thousand Years of Struggle," has been published in San Francisco. It is written by Terry Cannon, with drawings by Frank Ciociorka and Nick Thorkelson. The booklet, 47 pages long, tells the story of the Vietnamese and their fight against foreign invaders, including the present one. Cost: 50c. Bulk rates on request, write to People's Press, 350 Grove St., San Francisco, CA 94102. [30-]

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WHO BLEW THE LID OFF SONGMY?

NEW YORK (LNS)-- The American press is a fearless, incorruptible crusader. That's what the American press will tell you.

Take Songmy, for example.

In the Nov 30 New York Times, James Reston-- a minor deity in the world of the press--quite properly doubted the capacity of investigators to deliver an accurate and honest report when the subject they are investigating is themselves. Referring to recent disclosures of corruption in the management of military service clubs and to the handling of the Green Beret murder case and the Mylai slaughter, Reston commented:

"These cases have a way of disappearing almost as mysteriously as they appear. Almost always there is an investigation. Sometimes it follows through to a satisfactory conclusion, but usually the facts are muffled in the bureaucracy, or hastily dropped...."

But a paragraph later, there's a sneaky and insidious line. It comes out of the bottom of Reston's smug heart:

"The Songmy massacre was getting the same treatment until it was forced into the national attention by press and television."

In this sentence is contained the whole carefully cultivated myth about the role of the "free press" in capitalist democracy. The "independent" media assume and fulfill a civic duty to "force" awareness of the misdeeds of the mighty on an apathetic and ignorant public. One more self-investigation comes up roses. James Reston declares James Reston innocent on all counts.

Well, it wasn't "press and television" that sought the truth about Songmy, at least not the press Reston means and certainly not his own New York Times. The story of the Songmy massacre struggled to reach the surface for over a year. Like most of the truth about Vietnam it ran into the most elaborate, most formidable, and slickest mechanism of suppression and censorship in the world--the American media, most of whose food-soldiers (the everyday reporters) have no grasp of the cumulative,

systematic effect of the editorial biases which restrict them. Unlike most of the truth about Vietnam, the story of the Songmy massacre got just the right pushes here and there to break on through the smokescreen of the establishment press and reach the light of day.

Ronald Lee Ridenhour, who is now a student at Claremont College in California, served in Vietnam during 1967 and 1968. In April 1968, just a month after the Mylai massacre occurred, he heard rumors of it. During his remaining eight months in Vietnam, he devoted all his free time to gathering, collating and sifting rumors and purported eyewitness accounts of the affair. By the time he returned to the United States, he had a substantial dossier.

Early this year, Ridenhour composed a 1,500 word summary of his findings, and he sent it to the President, Secretary of Defense Laird, and to such "doves" as Senators Edward Kennedy, George McGovern and Eugene McCarthy, plus some 20 Congressmen. He received one lone reply indicating any interest, and he received a single visit from an Army investigator.

In June, despairing of official action, Ridenhour turned his report over to a Connecticut literary agent, Michael Cunningham, in an attempt to break the story publicly. The report was apparently offered to "major newspapers in Boston and New York"--as Christopher Lydon put it in the Nov 29 New York Times--as well as to "three national magazines, two news agencies and at least one of the three major television networks."

"Everybody Mike Cunningham talked to actively discouraged him," Ridenhour told Lydon. "Supposedly responsible people all said, 'What are you associating yourself with something like this for?'" Ridenhour gave up.

Then, according to Peter Osnos in the Dec 1 Washington Post, on Sept. 6 an AP story datelined Ft. Benning, Ga., came over the wires. It began. "An Army officer has **been** charged with murder in the deaths of an unspecified number of civilians in Vietnam in 1968, Post authorities have disclosed." One might expect that Benning or the Pentagon would have received a phone call or two from representatives of a "free press" committed to forcing a

passive public to face the truth of things, and mindful of government's penchant for covering up. And in fact, according to Osnos, the Pentagon "prepared for a barrage of press queries about the specifics of the charge. None came. The Associated Press story was all but ignored."

Some six weeks later, however, Seymour M. Hersh, a free-lancer associated with the small, non-establishment Dispatch News Service of Washington, D.C., received a telephone tip about the case, and he did go after the story. He got a \$1,000 grant from the Foundation for Investigative Journalism, funded by Philip M. Stern, an active supporter of the Moratorium and the New Mobilization.

It was Hersh, working virtually alone on his \$1,000, who rescued Ridenhour's memorandum from the oblivion to which it had been consigned by the Congressional "doves" and the established press. It was Hersh who found three former servicemen who admit to having been present at the massacre. It was Hersh who arranged for one of them, Paul Meadlo, to appear on television.

The big media had been wholly indifferent to Ridenhour's report, and to the September AP dispatch. Two months earlier, they could and would have done the same to Hersh's story. They would have bought it and filed it away, or forced him to publish it in the underground or movement press, where they could more easily discredit it and perhaps ignore it.

But in the second week of November the blockade burst. The anti-war movement's activity had made the Sunmy story the hottest piece of merchandise in the journalistic market. On Nov. 13, a number of major dailies ran Hersh's initial piece on their front pages; the New York Times ran its own story on My Lai. When the forbidden truth found the system's weak spot and charged through, the shock waves spread out in every conceivable direction.

Agnew bellowed and Nixon coughed. Privates kept unburdening their memories of nightmares. And the press stampeded to get the "scoop." Yes, even crusaders can get interested in atrocities once the cat is out of the bag. And if God is

willing, the final story these crusaders put together will shed as little light as possible on the real causes and the real issues of the massacre at My Lai.

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[note to editors: Robert Langston of the Militant deserves the bulk of the credit for the story above.]

VIRGINIA STUDENT WINS TRESPASS CONVICTION APPEAL

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (LNS)-- George Shaffer, 20, won an appeal in Alexandria Corporation Court on Dec. 9 reversing a trespass conviction received for distributing anti-war literature at T.C. Williams High School. The charges were dropped when both the defense and the prosecution in the appeal trial agreed that the Virginia trespass statute under which Shaffer was originally prosecuted does not apply to public places, including schools.

A 1967 graduate of T.C. Williams, Shaffer was arrested there on Sept. 4 while passing out leaflets promoting a regional meeting of the Student Mobilization, the group which organized much of the student participation in the Nov. 15 march on Washington.

During the Dec. 9 proceedings Shaffer's lawyer, Larry Freedman, Chairman of the lawyers' panel of the Northern Virginia American Civil Liberties Union, said, "The high school students of this country have the right to receive or distribute literature about the war in Vietnam or any other political meeting without harassment from the school or government authorities. The arrest of George Shaffer clearly violated the rights of the students at T.C. Williams as well as those of Shaffer himself." Freedman noted that Shaffer had originally faced a possible sentence of 1 year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Commenting on the case, Carol Lipman, National Executive Secretary of Student Mobilization, served notice on the high schools that student politicization will not diminish: "This is one of a number of legal battles that have been fought to defend the right of a growing high school anti-war movement."

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FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!!

CALIFORNIA MARINES DIG THE MOVEMENT

By Ernest Scott

LIBERATION News Service

[Editor's note: The author is a former Marine, and is now a staff member of the Green Machine, a Marine coffee house project in Oceanside, California.]

CAMP PENDLETON, California (LNS)-- At approximately 8 p.m., November 14th, about forty or fifty Marines from the once-isolated base of Camp Pendleton went on an ecstatic trip to Los Angeles to participate in Moratorium activities.

Forty to fifty Marines are only a minor portion of the total number that wanted to make the trip. The others were frightened away by the lifers, who have set up a goal within their green hearts to convert any snuffy (Ed. note: Marine enlisted man) who tries to think for himself and fulfill his beliefs.

The brass used a variety of tactics to stop Marine brothers from participating in the Moratorium. Some of the brothers were put on weekend duties like riot control or were forced to perform numerous other nonsensical duties. The most powerful weapon the brass has is intimidation. They pass on false information ^{claiming} that it is illegal to take part in protests like the Moratorium and, for those brothers who won't buy that, they use straightforward threats--letting them know how hard things will be for those who do participate in what they consider to be obscene acts. (Obscene acts, to them, include any that contribute to a man's voicing an opinion that either the brass or the lifers don't agree with.)

But for those who managed to escape the slavery chains of the military, the trip was very educational--and a groovy time as well. We were all amazed at the number of concerned people who care about our brothers in Viet Nam and the problems that exist within the prison gates of the military.

Being in the Corps and being treated somewhat like pet animals, we were emotionally satisfied at the way we were treated by the people we met. We were treated like men. The freedom to express our feelings and beliefs about the imperialistic war in Viet Nam and the military to the public was something we hadn't been used to. (I don't know why the military claims to make a man out of you when all it

really tries to do is to prevent you from using your intellect, chiefly by harassment.)

It's just hard for me to get over being treated like a human being instead of some diabolical monster without any kind of mentality. Nobody made any kind of criticism like, "You're a Private and you will not socialize with us Gunnery Sergeants." We were brought in and accepted and things like rank and structure became non-existent.

Then came time to turn in for the night. Oops, excuse me, I meant to say early morning. We'd been picked up by people who dug what we were doing and who did what they dug. These were people who realized the need for a better society for the poor, oppressed people (such as snuffies in the Corps). We were taken in and treated as if we were part of the family. And of course nobody mentioned anything about being god over you because his rank was higher.

Saturday was the most heavily educational day of all. Around 10 o'clock that morning, we made it over to one of the locations where the Black Panther Party served their free Breakfast for Children. Brother Bryan, head of the Servicemen's committee for the Panthers, rapped to us and broadened our knowledge of the Breakfast program, about the way the Black Panther Party functions, and its major achievements. While we asked questions we were served hot coffee. (One of the black sisters serving coffee had had her husband blown away by the L.A. pigs a month before.)

Then we were served a meal. We Marines weren't the only ones eating there--many children were too. We were all served grits, eggs, fried chicken, bread, and sweet rolls, thanks to funds made available by the Friends of the Panthers. From some of the statements we had heard about the Panthers, one would almost expect to be poisoned. But to speak frankly, it was the best and most satisfying meal I've had in twenty months. (I've been in the Corps twenty months.) Now I don't have to wonder why I've been having little stomach pains all the time. Well, to say the least, it was definitely a change from that hog slop we are served in the pure sanitation of the military establishment. Being more than convinced of the value of such a meaningful program, we made a small donation to assist in keeping it going.

If the Panthers are such an awful organization why do they feed children every morning who would otherwise be without anything to eat. If the fascist pigs are such a good organization, who do they go around brutalizing people and not give a damn who eats, as long as their sickening guts are stuffed. A lot of us had a change of attitude about the Panthers. Basing our knowledge on what we'd read in newspapers, heard on the radio, and through other forms of propaganda, we thought the Panthers were a racist organization. Well, there were a lot of white brothers there too and I'm damn sure they weren't brutalized, harassed, or discriminated against in any kind of way.

Our next stop was McArthur Park. As we approached the stage, we were thrilled by loud, enthusiastic applause. (McArthur Park was the site of the major Los Angeles Moratorium rally.) A couple of Marines gave heavy raps and I'm sure they proved to everybody that we weren't there to fool around, but were totally serious and believed in what we were doing. They specified that the war in Viet Nam is only hindering the rights of the Vietnamese people, unnecessarily killing a lot of Americans and Vietnamese, and contributing to the economy of the piggish imperialists, who will sink at any chance they get, no matter what the price - to count some more dollar bills for their own complacency. So what if 40,000 Americans have to be killed? It doesn't mean a thing to them if innocent men, women and children are being killed daily by napalm and 1000 pound bombs.

My personal feelings^{etc} that the NVA (North Vietnamese Army) and the NLF (National Liberation Front of South Viet Nam) are people protecting their country from falling into the claws of US imperialism. If the US forces pulled out, there would be no war. Dig, there would be nobody to fight. So, down with US aggression and puppet leaders such as Thieu and Ky. They are traitors to their people. If Thieu and Ky are ever put on trial, they should be burnt for treason, mutiny, and false information. We all know the maximum penalty for such offenses.

Our last stop was Topanga Canyon. It was a party being thrown in our behalf. This party was somewhat different from what you might think. Sure, we had fun, but the most extended subject

was what had happened during the activities. Never before had I witnessed such togetherness and willingness of Marines to gain knowledge from each other. We also discussed ways to conquer the "liferism" of the military.

If we didn't prove much, we were still a success. We proved to ourselves and other Marines that the piggish lifers can't stop us from participating in peaceful demonstrations. Now other Marines will begin to voice their opinions and beliefs and prove that we're going to contribute to the overthrow of liferism and unnecessary genocidal wars. And we'll also show that we're tired and completely irritated at these fascists that are only interested in sinking their way into a higher bankroll and fattening their flabby, out-of-condition bodies.

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PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS QUIT IN TURKEY

ISTAMBUL, Turkey, (LNS) - Three Peace Corps volunteers quit their posts, informing their Peace Corps officials that "our conscience does not permit us to serve in an organization which has become part of North American militarism, imperialism and racism."

The three volunteers, Joseph Holzer, Sharon Backley and Walt Roofing left the Corps after their experience in Turkey convinced them of the basic conflict between the organization's purported goals and its actual work in Turkey, according to a Prensa Latina report.

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HELP FOR HIGH SCHOOL HASSLES

NEW YORK (LNS) - The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) publishes a pamphlet entitled, "Academic Freedom in the Secondary Schools." For a copy, send 25 cents to ACLU, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10010.

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AVENGE FRED HAMPTON

From: AGITPROP INFORMATION, 160 North Gower Street, NW1, London. phone 01 387 5406 --

As international corporations and governments maintain their hegemony over our lives, there is a vital need to increase the degree of cooperation between those involved in anti-imperialist, anti-fascist and anti-capitalist struggles. In some ways this is already being done by personal political contacts and the informal exchanges of European North American and Third World political newspapers and journals

An effective way to strengthen this challenge to international hegemony is to be in contact with others who are campaigning and agitating against the same Western institutions of oppression. It is with this analysis that we are maintaining a political information centre in London....

The viability of this centre is in its effective relationship with current campaigns and groups for information and in its ability to discern and provide information for these same campaigns. Agitprop information will be working with people living in London who are personally familiar with the political processes, in particular, of European and North American movements. Comrades who want to contact us personally for information should write us in advance and should bring some information on their own campaigns.

We are asking that you assist us in two ways.

- (1) By extending to us an exchange subscription to your publications so that we are able to keep abreast of developments in your area. In return we will send you the monthly publication of Agitprop Information, Red Notes, and all special international publications.
- (2) By helping to let political groups and people know of our information centre. Newspapers will hopefully print an advertisement which we will provide on request....

[Note from LNS: Agitprop has a list of publications available for world-wide distribution. Write to them for further information.]

From LNS: Of special interest to people who expect to be in New York City this weekend. Demokratia, an anti-dictatorial committee of Greeks in America, plans a special benefit showing of the political adventure film "Z" to precede a demonstration at the Greek consulate in New York. The screening will be held at 9.30 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Beekman Theatre 65th St., and 2nd Ave., near the consulate. All proceeds from the admission fees (\$2 a person which is less than the usual fee) will go to the movement for a free Greece.

From LNS: One of Liberation News Service's newest subscribers is Claridad, a pro-independence Spanish language weekly published in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Radical papers and organizations may wish to establish an exchange with this paper, which is part of the growing struggle of Puerto Ricans to expel the U.S. occupying force and bring independence to Puerto Rico. Claridad has been publishing stories translated from the LNS packets in its recent issues and offered the following explanation about LNS to its readers (translated from the Spanish by LNS):

"You may have noted in some of our foreign dis-

patches the initials LNS placed in parentheses just after the dateline. LNS stands for Liberation News Service, a radical press service with headquarters in New York City and correspondents all over the U.S. and in key areas of the world. Other Puerto Rican newspapers subscribe to news services -- such as Associated Press and United Press, which distort the truth in order to serve the interests of the U.S. ruling class. Claridad now subscribes to a press service, too, but it is a press service which is responsible and radical, in the service of truth and of all peoples."

From: Curt Streeter, SACS IV, 1730 N. East St., Flagstaff, AZ 86001 --

We are opening an "emporium of everything" here in Flagstaff and would appreciate any help you could give us in acquiring papers for our customers. There is a university in this town and as yet there is no outlet for underground news.

From LNS: All subscribing publications are asked to be sure they are sending to LNS two (2) copies of each issue of their publication. Please be sure you are mailing us two copies of each issue; you may think you are but there might be a foul-up -- check your mail list or address plates. We need to see your papers to evaluate our work, to find news, to keep up with what's going on everywhere and to maintain our library. Please help.

From the Chicago SEED, 2551 N. Halsted, Chicago, IL 60614 [note -- please note new address for the SEED and change your address plates for exchanges]--

The requests received for the extra edition [the SEED special on the murder of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark] have been fantastic -- got one from a community paper in South Euclid, Ohio!... We distributed 20,000 Extras in 2 days, thru street vendors, store drop-offs, and an amazing number of people who came in for a few hundred and volunteered to pass them out -- including a middle-aged woman from the Western suburbs. (At one moment, RYM-II, Weatherman, Black Panther Party, and the Young Patriots were in the office together to pick up papers!). The Hampton murder did more than any other event to pull us together politically and give us a sense of purpose and accomplishment as an effective medium. And we also felt the effectiveness of LNS in calling a story in and seeing it mass-circulated within a few days. Right on!

[Note from LNS: People here in the LNS office and other New Yorkers very much appreciated the simplicity and power of the SEED extra. It is a good example of how the flexibility and creativity of the radical media can contribute to the growth of our movement. Right on!]

From LNS: Please help us expand our list of subscribers. You can help by asking your local college paper to subscribe and by sending us the names of potential subscribers -- friendly ministers and church groups, black community papers, black establishment papers, new underground papers. [END RMBB]

MURDER AND RAPE BY RACISTS STIR JACKSON,

MICH., TENSION

By William Allan

LIBERATION News Service/Daily World

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 15 -- Murder and rape by racists were the climax last week of campaigns by right-wingers in the community of 50,000.

Charles Cade, publisher of this city's Negro weekly, was murdered 10 days ago, with the words, "black nigger," scrawled in blood on his apartment wall. An editorial in his weekly had called for state intervention against the racist campaign in this city.

Following the murder came the rape of the wife of Don DeMarco, who had been dismissed as director of the Human Relations Commission for being too active against the racists and who had been receiving death threats. Don DeMarco is white. His wife was told by her assailant, "Your husband will never make me hire niggers."

The rising racial tension brought James Watts, president of the Michigan NAACP, and Tom Turner, president of the Detroit NAACP, to this city.

There are four to six chapters of the John Birch Society in this community.

Watts and Turner brought Mrs. DeMarco to a press conference. She had been badly beaten, a huge lump was on her forehead, one eye was completely closed and the rapist had tried to clip all the hair off her head.

DeMarco, a white liberal, came to Jackson about 14 months ago. He received a death threat the same night Cade was murdered.

Jackson police have been trying to sell newsmen the theory that Cade was killed by the underworld, because he had spent some 14 years in prison.

Residents of the segregated black community believe the slaying of Cade, who ran a militant black newspaper here and in Kalamazoo, was perpetrated by white vigilantes who are seeking to provoke a massive attack on the black ghetto here. They cite a wave of terror against blacks that began last September, when a series of sniping protectors of scabs, incidents took place. Gunshot attacks were made on police headquarters and the fire station, with blacks and whites being killed.

Blacks in Jackson told reporters that the group of whites inciting gunshot attacks have been circulating hate leaflets urging whites to arm themselves. The leaflets were signed, "an Irish-Polak father."

Cops here are making much of a small quantity of marijuana found in the murdered Cade's apartment. Don Phillips, editor of one of Cade's newspapers, the Kalamazoo Ledger, said, "It must have been planted there."

Phillips added, "I believe that Cade was killed because he learned the identity of the group of whites who had passed out the hate leaflets."

Jackson's police force, all white, have attempted to pin the death of a white man here on the Black Berets. The Berets are a local militant black group whose program is similar to that of the Black Panther Party. Black Beret headquarters have been shot up several times, and recently they were broken into by cops who smashed down the doors, despite the offer of a key from one of the Black Berets. Outside on the street a dozen Jackson cops stood with loaded shotguns.

The Black Berets tried to get their story into the Jackson Patriot, local white newspaper, but were told, "We have the police story." The Black Berets declared, "The only thing we are involved in is in programs to help the poor. We distributed 15 baskets of food to the needy in Jackson for Thanksgiving. We are planning a Christmas party for the children of the poor, and we are trying to give needy children a hot breakfast, as well as trying to get started a free medical clinic for poor kids."

Said NAACP leaders Watts and Turner, "If there is not a radical change in the situation in Jackson soon, we are going to organize a mass demonstration of protest in that town."

Jackson has long been noted for being a nest of Ku Klux Klanners, at one time the Black Legion and more recently the John Birch Society. Every time organized labor here is forced to strike, strike-breakers appear and bitter battles ensue, with Jackson's all-white police force acting as

DEFEND RICHARD CHASE, FT. HOOD GI

KILLEEN, Tex. (LNS) -- Richard Chase, a soldier at Fort Hood, Tex., has refused to take part in riot training. He says he will not take part in the suppression of movements he supports -- such as the black liberation movement and the anti-war movement.

Such suppression is what riot training is all about. Now Chase faces a court martial; he is being held in the stockade and has already served time in solitary, where he was beaten four times.

The Richard Chase Defense Committee, consolidating support around Fort Hood and across the nation, points out that Chase "is being prosecuted not for disobeying an order but for his political ideas, for his belief in the dignity of man and the rights of his fellow GIs." Messages of support and money may be sent to the Richard Chase Defense Committee, c/o Oleo Strut, 101 East Ave. D, Killeen, Tex. 76541.

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TWO KOREAN PATRIOTS KILLED
LIBERATION News Service

PYONGYANG, Korea (LNS) -- In Chicago, the latest victims are Fred Hampton and Mark Clark. In Seoul, the leading pig city of South Korea, two revolutionaries were killed recently, too. Their names are Li Mun Gyu and Li Gwan Hak. Both were members of the United Revolutionary Party, which, like the Black Panther Party in Chicago, is fighting for a better way of life for all the people.

The two South Korean revolutionaries were politically active in the growing South Korean movement against the U.S. occupation of that land. They were arrested and brought to trial. After turning the jail and the courtroom into a "theater of struggle," reports the Korea Central News Agency, the two men were executed.

Just as Chicago's black community is occupied by a repressive outside force (the Chicago Police Department), so South Korea is occupied by tens of thousands of U.S. troops. Were it not for that occupation, which intensifies daily, the

reactionary South Korean regime in Seoul would not last very long and revolutionaries like Li Mun Gyu and Li Gwan Hak could live long lives in the service of their people.

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RESEARCH ON MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX

PHILADELPHIA (LNS) -- A new organization is preparing detailed scientific reports on the military-industrial complex. The group is the National Action/Research on the Military Industrial Complex (NARMIC), a special project of the American Friends Service Committee. For further information, write to NARMIC, 160 N. 15 St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102.

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STARTING A HIGH SCHOOL PAPER?
WRITE FOR FREE PAMPHLET

CHICAGO (LNS) -- A six-page pamphlet to help high school students who are planning to start an underground newspaper is available from John Schaller, Chicago Area High School Independent Press Service, 530 N. Brainard St., Naperville, Illinois 60540. Write for your free copy.

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FTA: FREAK-OUT FOR GI MOVEMENT IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK (LNS) -- FTA -- Fuck/Freak the Army -- is the theme of a multi-media event in support of the GI movement across the country. It will be held Dec. 26 at the Manhattan Center, 311 W. 34 St., New York City. Shows are at 8:30 and 11:30 p.m.; admission is \$3 (\$2 with military ID). Proceeds go to the United Servicemen's Fund to help finance GI coffee houses at bases around the country, and for legal defense work. Among those who will appear are Barbara Dane, Jimmy Johnson of the Fort Hood Three, Dr. Howard Levy, Pete Seeger and the Pageant Players.

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PEACE ON EARTH
VICTORY TO ALL STRUGGLES FOR LIBERATION

MARINE JOINS NLF AND ISSUES APPEAL TO BROTHERS
LIBERATION News Service

HANOI (LNS) -- A U.S. Marine has left his unit, has joined up with soldiers of the National Liberation Front (NLF), and has issued an open letter to his former comrades-in-arms inviting them to follow him in this ultimate act of GI rebellion.

A dispatch from Prensa Latina, the Cuban news agency, identified the rebel Marine as Paul M. Sweeney, serial number 2467056. In his open letter to U.S. servicemen, Sweeney says that "it is necessary to struggle against those people who have sent us to Vietnam, those who keep us here."

Sweeney, who arrived in Vietnam in February, deserted in November while his company was engaged in operations in Thua Thien province.

"I am now in the service of the Vietnamese people in their struggle against the imperialist aggressor," he said in his letter. "You may think I am a traitor to the United States. I am a traitor, yes, a traitor to the U.S. of the Rockefellers and the Morgans and all the rest. I have never been nor will I ever be a traitor to the American people, for they are opposed to this brutal war."

He said that soldiers in Vietnam should help the U.S. peace movement. "The first thing you have to do," he said, "is join with and support the movements at home by refusing orders and demanding the withdrawal of troops."

Sweeney also proposed that American soldiers stage a March on Saigon demanding peace. Soldiers from the puppet army will probably join with us, Sweeney said, noting that "Nixon can't fight alone."

Meanwhile, in Saigon, two U.S. soldiers spoke to reporters after being released from captivity by the NLF. Noting their humane treatment, the two GIs vowed that they would never take up arms against the NLF again -- "forever" -- according to an Associated Press report.

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TODAY A GI REBEL, TOMORROW A SOLDIER IN THE
ARMY OF THE PEOPLE *****

GERMAN DOW SUBSIDIARY TO MAKE NAPALM
LIBERATION News Service

BONN West Germany (LNS) -- The Dow Chemical Company has been trying to give the impression that it no longer is involved in the manufacture of napalm.

They're liars. A Dow subsidiary in the Lower Saxony region of West Germany is building a big napalm factory. In fact, the West German government is coming across with a \$40 million subsidy, and a high government official, Richard Langeheine, helped lay the cornerstone of the new factory, according to a dispatch from Prensa Latina, the Cuban news agency.

This isn't the first time that Dow has tried to deceive the public about the corporation's role in napalm production. Last May, Dow announced that it was out of the napalm business and would not bid for the new U.S. government contract on it. But when the bidding recently came up, Dow was right in there with the rest. It lost the government contract, but forty million bucks from the Germans probably softens the loss a little.

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RURAL COMMUNITY PLANS MINSTREL SHOW
LIBERATION News Service

BARRE, Vt. (LNS) -- The Greenfeet community is organizing a traveling minstrel show and arts fair to spread information and alternative life-styles throughout rural areas, as medieval minstrels did in fortified towns.

Members of the community have also visited high schools to speak to classes about "politics, the draft, revolution, kids, creation, community, and loving." They have been thrown out of several schools.

Members estimate that 50,000 people have read their magazine, called Greenfeet, which they give out free to kids. Publicity and contributions are needed to continue the work they're doing, since the community is living at poverty level. Send for a copy of their magazine Greenfeet, Box 347, Barre, Vt. 05641 -- 44 pages, \$1 for adults, 25¢ for kids.

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A.I.D. MAN BAD-MOUTHS SELF-DETERMINATION,
COMES OUT FOR U.S. IMPERIALISM
LIBERATION News Service

"If we rank together gross national product of African nation states and gross annual sales of large American corporations, 13 of the 50 largest are private companies. Of the 100 largest, half are private companies, and two-thirds of the private companies are American.

"Nigeria is 39th after General Motors, Ford, Jersey Standard, Royal Dutch Shell, General Electric, Chrysler, Unilever, Mobil Oil.

"Algeria is 61st after Western Electric and Bethlehem Steel.

"Morocco is 64th after International Harvester and Westinghouse.

"Ghana is 78th after National Dairy and Union Carbide."

Herbert Salzman, assistant administrator for private resources of the Agency for International Development (A.I.D.), drew up these facts in calling for a new congenial partnership between emergent African national states and American corporations to avoid "conflict, frustration, and disappointment" on all sides.

His ideas:

Small African countries should unite with their neighbors because huge American plants are attracted by regional markets, and because small countries (like Cuba?) just can't make it on their own.

For example, "Countries with less than 20 million people may not be able to justify a local fertilizer plant."

In effect, Salzman is telling every small nation, every people who have declared themselves a nation on the basis of their right to self-determination, that they are literally incapable of getting their shit together without the aid of American imperialism.

African countries should examine their resources, pick a couple, bring together their people, then call in an American corporation "to develop them into marketable products that will return a profit."

One might think this would lead to lop-sided

economies. One might suspect that Mr. Salzman is on the hunt for cheap labor. But Salzman just thinks his plan is "efficient."

African countries should not be reticent, but should take the initiative in drawing up guidebooks for American corporations and investors, Salzman says. "The guide can make the visitor's job so much easier in so many ways, that besides being a courteous and very inexpensive thing to do for a stranger it also makes the stranger feel welcome and hopefully appreciative."

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U.S. MILITARY "DEVELOP" ISLAND

PYONGYANG, Korea (LNS) -- The North Korean press has denounced a new plan by U.S. military authorities and the South Korean dictatorship for the "development" of Cheju Island. According to the plan, the island will be made into a military fortress. Millions of dollars will be spent building a nuclear base, as well as airfields, naval facilities and roads.

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NO ONE WANTS TO BE A LIFER;
MARINE CORPS FACES CRISIS

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) -- Marine re-enlistment rates are at their lowest in history, according to official figures released by the Pentagon. More than 95 per cent of the Marine Corps members who finished their first term during the 1969 fiscal year wanted out and refused to sign new contracts.

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"BEAT THE PEOPLE!" -- SAIGON GENERALS KEEP FAITH

SAIGON (LNS) -- There are 54 generals in Saigon's army. In the French Indochinese war -- the war in which the French tried to take back the Southeast Asian peninsula after native guerrilla armies successfully resisted and expelled the Japanese invaders of World War II -- 50 of the 54 generals fought with the French against the Viet Minh, two fought with both sides, and two did not fight at all. These figures were verified recently by the Los Angeles Times.

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CHRISTMAS "GIFTS" A GOOD RACKET,
BUSINESSMAN'S WEEKLY ADVISES

LIBERATION News Service

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Business Week advises its readership -- the nation's business executives -- not to overlook the money-making potential of certain kinds of Christmas "gifts." The scheme "requires a bit of planning" and a "sizeable" investment, so those who are incapable of either will have to content themselves with giving their children what Business Week calls "the usual melange of toys."

"You establish a 10-year trust for the child," suggests a column in the Dec. 13 issue of Business Week, "and put in enough securities to pay about \$1,000 a year in dividends or interest."

"Ten years from now, the \$1,000-a year -- at 5 per cent compounded quarterly -- comes to over \$16,000 in the child's account, and he gets the income almost tax-free."

"You save \$450 a year in taxes since you have split away \$1,000 of taxable income, and your saving is a bit more if you figure in a surcharge. For you to put away the same \$16,000 over 10 years -- after taxes -- would take double the amount of income-producing investments. And the beauty of it is that in 10 years you can return the trust property to your own portfolio."

Nothing more beautiful than a loophole

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ARMY TURNS ON TO CS TEAR GAS

Hard Times / LIBERATION News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) -- The Army is urging police departments to use CS gas (the type sprayed by Washington police on crowds Nov. 15), even though its own tests show the gas can cause severe skin blistering and require the hospitalization of victims. Besides skin inflammation a Pentagon report says, Army volunteers who tested CS suffered unexpected delayed reactions so severe that the tests were "immediately discontinued to preclude serious injury to the volunteer subjects."

In one training accident, 21 Chemical Corps officers received first and second degree burns, some with severe blistering, when they were en-

veloped by a cloud of CS in a moist environment. In Berkeley Calif., where CS was sprayed from a helicopter on crowds during last spring's People's Park struggle small children in a nursery school were affected. They experienced unpleasant psychological effects after the gassing.

Because of Army enthusiasm for CS, manufacturers of Mace are marketing a new version of that liquid, combined with CS.

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MAN WHO INFORMED ON ANGELA DAVIS TAKES IT ALL BACK
LIBERATION News Service

LOS ANGELES (LNS) -- "I am not going to Washington, nor will I go to San Francisco, nor will I testify. I will not allow the FBI and the Justice Department to use me any more to hurt the innocent people whose only crime, from my experience, is FBI disapproval of their political beliefs."

Those were the words of William Tulio Divale, a paid informer for the FBI, who began to find himself sympathetic to the arguments of the people he spied on. He spoke at a press conference held on the day he was scheduled to appear before the Senate Internal Security Committee in Washington. Divale had been operating as an FBI informer for almost five years, had received about \$15,000 for his information on various left-wing groups, and had even set up his own chapter of SDS at Pasadena City College with the help of the FBI.

A letter from Divale to the UCLA newspaper, the Daily Bruin, had revealed activity by Angela Davis in a black collective of the Communist Party and had led to an attempt by the administration to bar her from teaching at the campus.

Divale said that he had not been ordered to expose Angela Davis, but did so because he felt it was wrong for Communists to hide their political identity and wrong for a "democratic" country to create a political atmosphere of fear.

Now, Divale says, he regrets having written the letter. He sees that action as affecting "not only academic freedom, but also the question of racism and women's liberation -- Angela Davis has become the symbol of all those issues." He added, "I have to sincerely apologize to Angela Davis on that matter."

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PROTEST OF HAMPTON MURDER OUTSIDE EMBASSY
BRINGS OUT 400 DANES ON A FEW HOURS NOTICE

By Jørgen Dragsdahl
LIBERATION News Service

COPENHAGEN (LNS) -- There's something up-tight in the state of Denmark and it calls it-self the American Embassy

In the past few weeks the embassy has sent a Negro press attache connected with the mission scurrying from one school to another in the city of Copenhagen in an attempt to fight back against a spate of unfortunate news reports which are giving young Danes a very bleak picture of American political life

After Danish students heard about the murder of Fred Hampton and Mark Clark in Chicago, a coalition of leftist groups met Dec 8 and called an evening demonstration in solidarity with the Black Panther Party. A few hours later, 400 people showed up in front of the U.S. Embassy in Copenhagen while the loudspeaker blared "Seize the Time" -- a recording of revolutionary black music sung by Elaine Brown, the Panthers' deputy minister of information -- and a tape recorded for the Scandinavian people by Black Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale in his prison cell.

Thirty-nine people with torches stood guard along the street outside the embassy each bearing a sign with the name of a murdered Panther or a Panther charged with capital crimes. And for two cold evening hours, 400 demonstrators chanted slogans protesting the jailings of Panther leaders and "the genocide upon the black population of the U.S."

"The incidents of the last few days make clear with disgusting clarity that a fascist police state is being created in the U.S.A.," read a statement released by organizations of the demonstration. Commentators in Scandinavia's liberal press, while not stating that point-of-view as explicitly as the leftists have inclined to sympathize with the Panthers since a number of visits by prominent leaders of the Party to Scandinavia over the past year.

The State Department's Negro press attache tried to counter Danish talk about "genocide" and "fascism" by speaking before student assemblies about the "facts" of the Nixon Administra-

tion's energetic program to help blacks.

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MRS. MITCHELL IS NOT DISCREET

Hard Times / LIBERATION News Service

WASHINGTON D.C. (LNS) -- Emerging from a strenuous gala at the Israeli Embassy recently, Martha Mitchell the outspoken wife of the attorney general, settled into her limousine with Mrs. Gilbert Hahn wife of the chairman of the city council of the District of Columbia.

"Boy," sighed Martha, "I'm sure glad to get away from all those Jews."

Mrs. Hahn, herself Jewish, told the story to all her friends, then denied it when the newspapers began calling. Reporters at Newsweek and Time, and the Washington Post's gossip columnist Maxine Cheshire, wanted to write the story, but their editors quashed the news.

Mrs. Mitchell made the news recently when she told a CBS reporter that she resented all the "liberal communists" who took over Washington on Nov. 15 for the anti-war demonstration.

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THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE USA

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted.

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TOUGH SHIT DEPARTMENT

Inflation has nearly doubled country club membership costs in the past 15 years. Interestingly, the price hike is pretty much along the lines of those that have hit ordinary consumers. Country club operating costs have gone up an estimated 65 per cent and fees about 92 per cent. (LNS/Militant) 30-

JOHN SINCLAIR DEFENSE COMMITTEE NEEDS BREAD

NEW YORK (LNS) - John Sinclair went to jail for 10 years for given two joints to an undercover narc. A committee has been formed to fight for justice in the case of John Sinclair & other victims of oppressive pot laws and for the freedom of all political prisoners. Send bread to Sinclair Committee, Box 444 Planetarium Sta., NYC 10024. [-30-]

ONLY ONE THING CAN GET THESE HANDS CLEAN..."



"Train 'em to kill, not massacre....got it?"

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Now I understand that there has been and continues to be opposition to the war in Vietnam and the casualties and in the nation. As far as this kind of activity is concerned, we expect it.

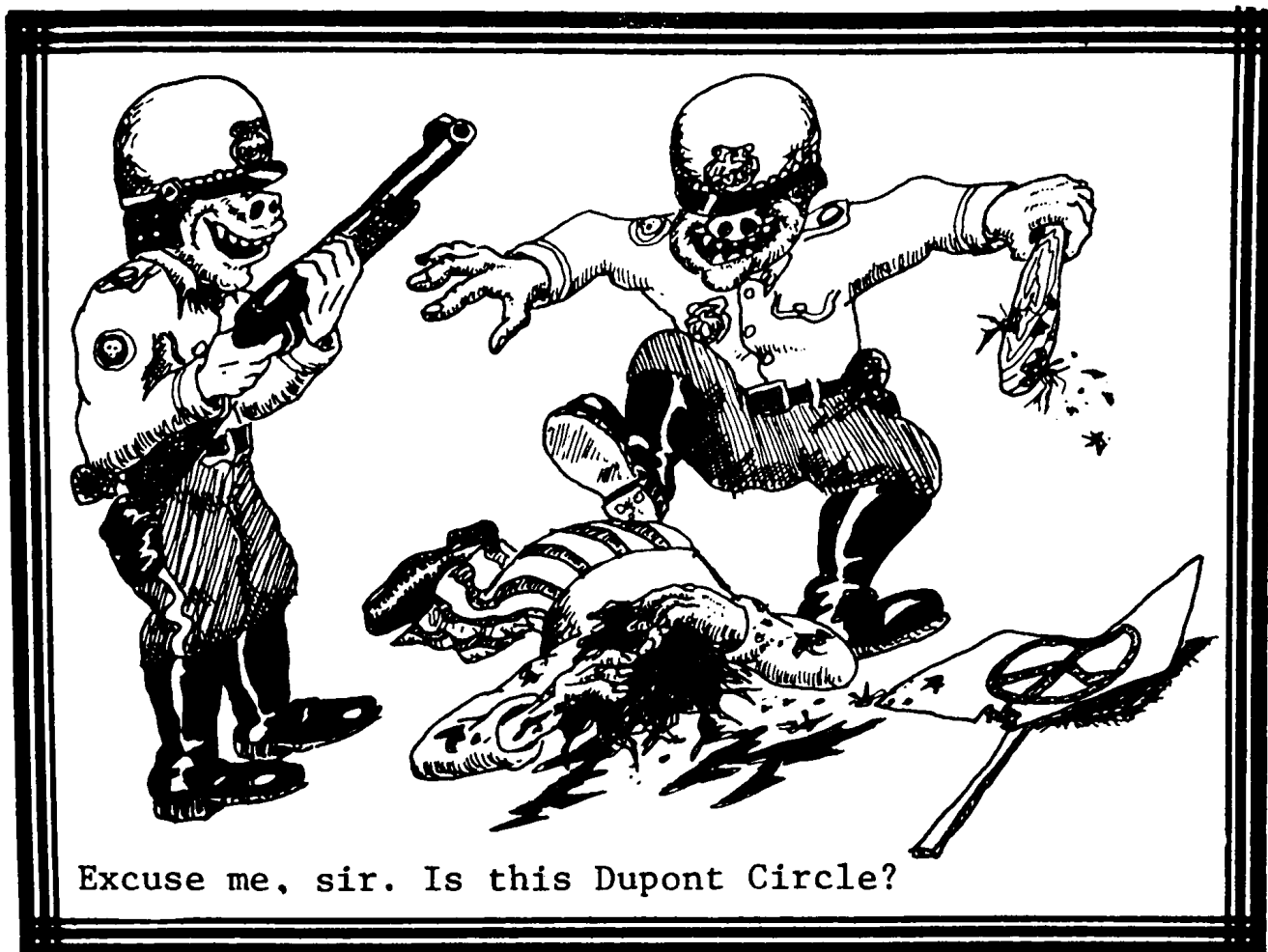
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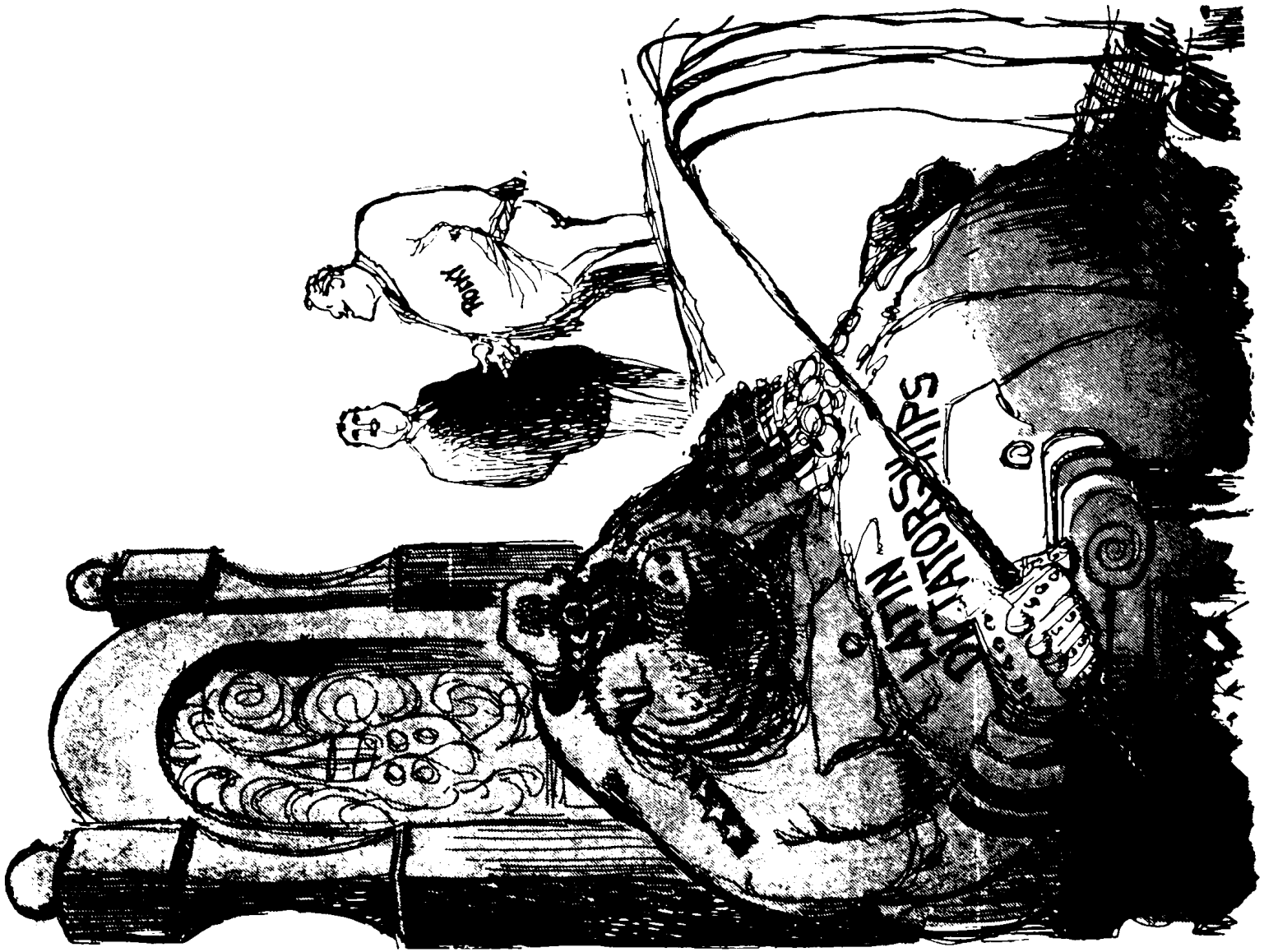


If some of you plainclothesmen, RCMPs, narcs and campus cops would drop this course, I think we could solve our over crowding problem.

TOP. For the innocent, Dupont Circle was the meeting place for the
Contingent in Solidarity with the PRG's thrust against the Saigon
embassy which preceded the recent mass march on Washington. There,
as at the Injustice Department demo, pig response was very heavy.
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"A certain charm, inner beauty . . ."

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THREE PIX FROM THE VENCEREMOS BRIGADE TO GO WITH PAST AND FUTURE
STORIES:

TOP: Briefing

MIDDLE: The Vietnamese delegation consists of five from the South
and five from the North; they were met at Jose Marti airport
by high Cuban officials.

BOTTOM: The Brigade sets out to do a days work in the cane fields.

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TOP GENERAL SEMANTICIST HAYAKAWA
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BOTTOM BOYS GROOVE ON SHANGRI-LA CITY STORY ON THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN
BOYS AND GIRLS TOYS, PAGE ONE. PHOTOS ON P. 7 and COVER ALSO ACCOMPANY
PAGE ONE STORY.

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TOP: BOY REACHES FOR SUPER MAN COSTUME. BALLERINA IS NEGLECTED.

BOTTOM. GIRL LOOKS WISTFULLY AT DRESS UP COSTUME.

STORY ON GIRL'S AND BOY'S TOYS ON PAGE ONE.

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